

EXCERPT FROM THE RECORD OF THE TRIAL  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA vs SHIGERU SAMADA, et al

Before the  
MILITARY COMMISSION  
Convened by the  
COMMANDING GENERAL  
United States Army Forces  
CHINA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA :

-vs-

SHIGERU SAMADA  
YUSEI WAKO  
RYUHEI OKADA  
SOTOJIRO TATSUTA

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Defense Transcript Exhibit No. 10  
Affidavit by General SHIMOMURA, Sadamu - 8 March 1946

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8 Oct 1942

On this day, orders were issued for the change in command of the 13 Army. Lt Gen SAMADA was in SHANGHAI at the time, while Lt Gen SHIMOMURA, commandant of the Army General Staff College up to this date, was in Saitama province, engaged in maneuvers which had been going on since 1 Oct. However, he was immediately recalled to Tokyo and assigned as Army commander.

9 Oct 1942 - Lt Gen SHIMOMURA makes courtesy call to Imperial Headquarters. (p. 1)

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Up to this day (9 Oct) Lt Gen SHIMOMURA absolutely had no connection with this incident. Therefore, he asked for a more detailed explanation and was given the following answer by the Chief of the General Staff:

"This affair has been thoroughly investigated and the final decision has been made in Tokyo. As a result, there is nothing that SHANGHAI or NANKING can do about this decision except carry it out. As to the details and procedures of the trial, you can get a report from the one responsible at the time, when you reach SHANGHAI." (p. 2)